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	First Named Inventor	Simon Blair Dobson
	COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
	Application Number	10 / 020,869
	Filing Date	December 12, 2001
	Group Art Unit	3612
Examiner Name		Unknown

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

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VEHICLE DOOR

(Title of the invention)

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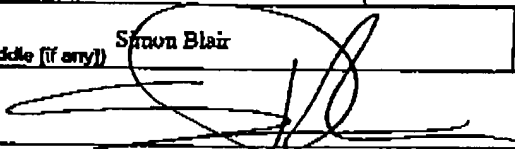
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ASSIGNMENT
(Sole Inventor – Priority Claimed)

WHEREAS, I, SIMON BLAIR DOBSON, (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), residing at 5 The Corniche, Sandgate, Kent, CT20 3TA, United Kingdom, have invented new and useful improvements in:

VEHICLE DOOR

which is set forth in an application in the United States filed on December 12, 2001 and assigned Serial Number 10/020,869; Attorney Docket No. 60130-1294, and that this application claims priority to United Kingdom Application No. GB0030527.6 filed December 14, 2000.

AND WHEREAS, Meritor Light Vehicle Systems - France (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), of 105 Route d' Orleans, BP28, 45600 Sully-sur-Loire, France, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

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Dated: 13/Dec/01
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